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ON

PETER J. CRONK, REG NO 32,021

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR.

§ 1.56 in connection with the above-identified application, which statement is being filed:

- ☐ Together with the present application.
- ☒ Before the first Office Action on the merits or three (3) months from the filing date of this application, whichever occurs last. [37 CFR § 1.97(b)]
- ☐ After the first Office Action on the merits, but before a Final Office Action under §1.113 or Notice of Allowance under §1.311, whichever occurs first. [37 CFR § 1.97(c)]
- ☐ After a Final Office Action under §1.113 or Notice of Allowance under §1.311, but prior to or with payment of the Issue Fee. [37 CFR § 1.97(d)]

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Consistent with Applicant's obligations pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98, the following requirements have been met:

☒ No separate requirements are needed.

☒ No additional fee is required.

☐ **Fee Under 37 CFR § 1.97(c)**

The fee of \$240.00 for submission of an IDS under § 1.97(c) as set forth in § 1.17(p) accompanies this statement.

☐ **Petition Under 37 CFR § 1.97(d)**

This is a petition requesting consideration of an IDS under § 1.97(d). The petition fee of \$130.00 set forth in § 1.17(i)(1) accompanies this petition.

☐ **Certification Under 37 CFR § 1.97(e)**

Each item of information contained in this statement was either

- (1) cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement; or
- (2) not known to any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

Provision of Copies of References

☒ A copy of each of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is enclosed herewith and forms a part hereof.

☐ A partial translation of Reference ____ is enclosed herewith and forms a part hereof.

☐ A copy of the European Search Report from a corresponding or related EPO application is enclosed herewith.

- ☐ A copy of the International Search Report from a corresponding or related PCT application is enclosed herewith.

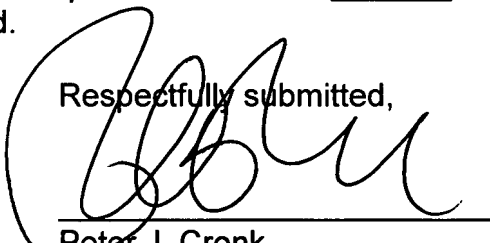
Identification of Prior Application(s) In Which Listed Information Was Already Cited And For Which No Copies Are Submitted Or Need Be Submitted

- ☐ This application relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior Application Serial No. _____, filed on _____. The following references were submitted to, and/or cited by, the Office in the prior application(s) and therefore are not required to be provided in this application:

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 04-1679. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is attached.

Date: 7.17.00

Respectfully submitted,



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